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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Wednesday, 26 January 1955

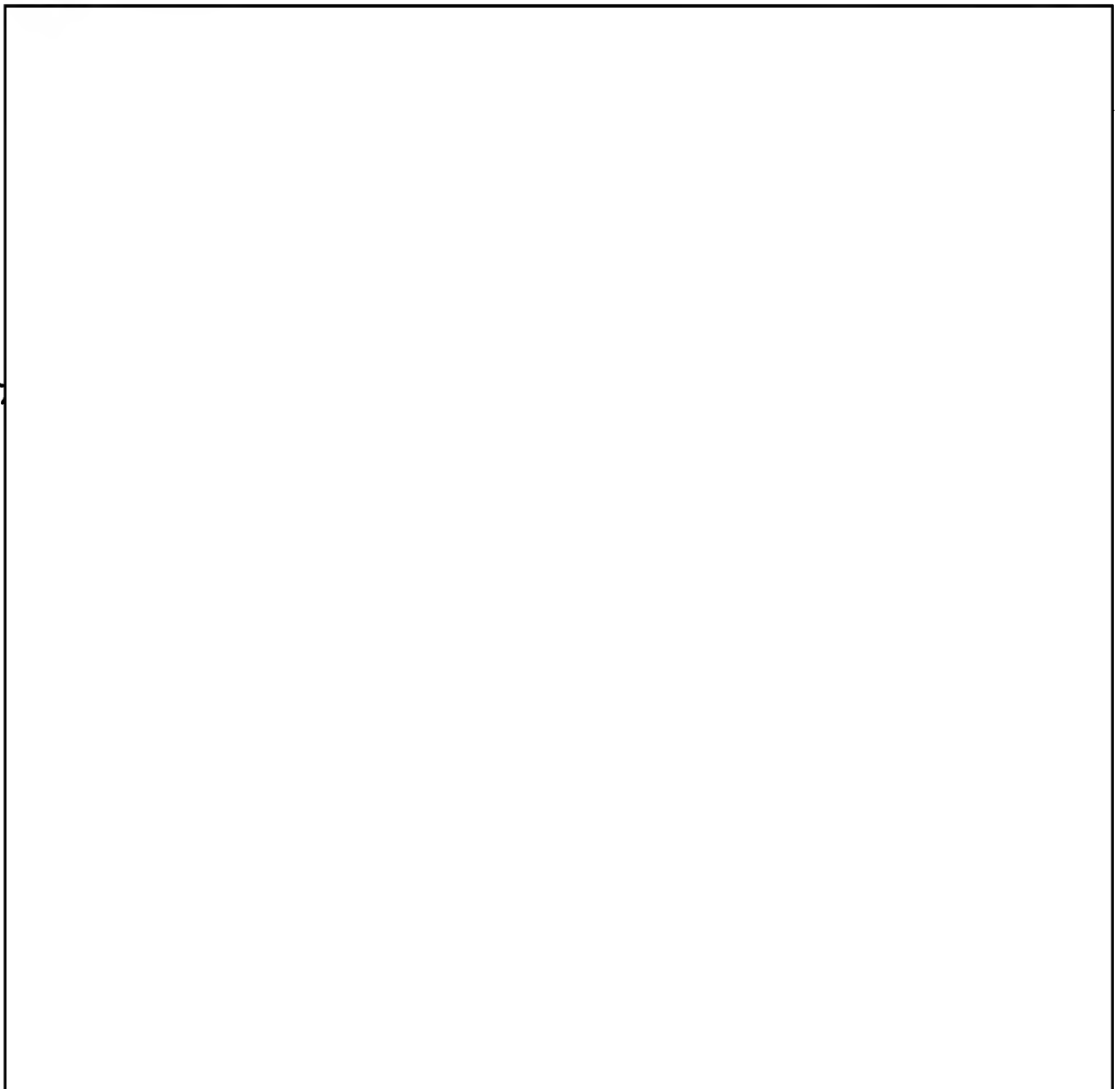
**PRESENT: Messrs. Dulles, Wisner, Amory, Col. White,
Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Helms, Bissell, Sheldon,**



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Mr. Dulles:



d. Stated that the Doolittle Committee had asked to have a meeting with us in order to go over the implementation of the recommendations contained in their report. Mr. Dulles stated a dinner meeting had been scheduled and asked that the following be present: Gen. Cabell, Mr. Wisner, Col. White, Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Helms, Roosevelt, Bissell, and [] Mr. [] undertook to follow through on this. Mr. Kirkpatrick noted he was preparing a brief of the reports from the various CIA components on the implementation of the Doolittle Committee recommendations and would furnish copies to the Director, Deputy Director, DD/P, and DD/A. It was suggested that copies of this brief also be furnished to members of the Committee prior to the 4 February meeting provided this could be securely accomplished. The Director approved.

e. Referred to the lengthy cable from the Senior Representative Saigon respecting Gen Collins' dissatisfaction with intelligence support received by him during his current activities in VietNam and stated he was most concerned over this matter. Mr. Wisner noted that he too was concerned over this problem and had discussed it at some length with his people. He suggested that we treat VietNam as an exception and provide Gen. Collins with a top-flight intelligence officer who will have the responsibility of briefing him daily on the intelligence situation. Some discussion was held as to whether this individual should come from DD/P or the DD/I side of the house. No decision was reached. [] suggested that Col. [] USA, RET., would be an excellent choice since he had had long experience in the Far East. It was pointed out that in selecting an officer for this job it was most important that he be acceptable to Gen. Collins. The Director said he hoped to meet with the General in the near future and asked DD/P and DD/I to provide him with a list of people whom they considered completely qualified.

Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Reported that Senator Byrd is "about to hear" of the efforts to obtain the Langley site for the new CIA building and recommended that Colonel White call on the Senator and advise him of our plans. The Director approved and said he too would call on Senator Byrd, if necessary.

